

MEMORANDUM

July 16, 2010

TO:

Planning Commission

FROM:

Manisha Tewari, Planner

VIA:

David B. Levy, Chief of Long Range Planning

SUBJECT:

Revised Draft of the City of Rockville's

Municipal Growth Element (MGE), Comprehensive Master Plan

Discussion and Recommendation to Mayor and Council

As directed by the Planning Commission at the July 14, 2010 work session on the draft Municipal Growth Element of the Comprehensive Master Plan, staff is preparing a revised draft for review and approval at the July 28 meeting. This revision incorporates direction from the Planning Commission, which has been based on testimony received from the public and public agencies.

Planning Commission direction included that the revised draft document be completed and submitted to the Planning Commission by July 23. Staff will also, at that time, post the revised draft on the Web pages for the Planning Commission Agenda and the City's Comprehensive Master Plan, and inform parties that have provided testimony where they may view the revised draft.

Per the schedule for adoption, the Mayor and Council will receive a preview presentation on the Planning Commission Draft on August 2, 2010, which is the last Mayor and Council session before the summer break. To meet the August 2 deadline to deliver the materials to the Mayor and Council, staff will include the revised draft to the Mayor and Council on July 23, in advance of Planning Commission approval. Staff will inform the Mayor and Council that any changes made by the Planning Commission on July 28 will be incorporated into a revised version in time for the August 2 meeting.

The overall schedule and next steps for adoption of the Municipal Growth Element are outlined below:

May 12, 2010	Presentation to Planning Commission
June 9, 2010	Planning Commission Public Hearing
June 16, 2010	Original Close of Planning Commission Public record
June 23, 2010	Planning Commission Work Session
	Reopen Public Record
July 14, 2010	Close Public Record
	Planning Commission Work Session
July 28, 2010	Planning Commission Approval and Recommendation to Mayor
	and Council
August 2, 2010	Presentation of Planning Commission Draft to Mayor and Council
September 13, 2010	Mayor and Council Public Hearing
September 22, 2010	Recommended Close of Mayor and Council Public Record
October 11, 2010	Mayor and Council Work Session
October 25, 2010	Mayor and Council Directions and Instructions
November 8, 2010	Mayor and Council Adoption
November 12, 2010	Convey MGE and WRE to Maryland Department of Planning

Staff is looking forward to your feedback and discussion on the revised document at the July 28 meeting. Please feel free to call Manisha, David or Susan if you have any questions or comments.